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SUBJECT: DR E E HARTWIG RESEARCH AGRONOMIST VISIT

TO S.A.

1. THE AMBASSADOR RECEIVED FOLLOWING LETTER FROM
S.A. SECRETARY FOR AGRICULTURAL TECHNICAL SERVICES
QUOTE I ENCLOSE HERWITH COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE
BETWEEN THIS DEPARTMENT AND THE ACTING DEPUTY ADMINI-
STRATOR, DR H C COX, USDA, LOUISIANA FOR YOUR
INFORMATION PLEASE.

IN TERMS OF THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF THE LETTER DATED
13TH JUNE 1975, RECEIVED FROM DR COX IT WOULD BE
APPRECIATED IF THIS DEPARTMENTS OFFER TO PROVIDE
TRANSPORTATION AND SUBSISTENCE FOR DR HARTWIG IN
RESPECT OF HIS PROPOSED VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA, COULD
BE SUBMITTED TO THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT FOR
CONSIDERATION.

I WISH TO CONFIRM THAT DR HARTWIG WILL BE PROVIDED
WITH A RETURN AIR TICKET (ECONOMY CLASS) BETWEEN THE
U.A.A. AND SOUTH AFRICA BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN EMBASSY
IN WASHINGTON AND THAT AN ALLOWANCE OF R25.00 PER DAY
WILL BE PAID DIRECT TO HIM TO COVER LIVING EXPENSES
DURING HIS SOJOURN IN SOUTH AFRICA AS GUEST OF THIS
DEPARTMENT.

YOUR KIND COOPERATION WILL BE APPRECIATED. UNQUOTE
H2. COMMENT: S.A. MINISTRY AGRICULTURE IS KEENLY
INTERESTED IN EXPANDING ITS SOYBEAN PRODUCTION AND
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HAS INVITED DR HARTWIG OF STONEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI,

USDA EMPLOYEE, TO VISIT SOUTH AFRICA FOR ONE MONTH
DURING MARCH OR APRIL 1976 TO ASSIST THE MINISTRY IN
SOYBEAN PRODUCTION.

IN A LETTER OF JUNE 13 1975 H C COX, ACTING
DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR , USDA, AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH
SERVICE, SOUTHERN REGION, NEW ORLEANS, LA., INFORMED
S.A. SECRETARY AGRICULTURAL SERVICES, EXCERPTS , AS
FOLLOWS:

QUOTE WE ARE REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THIS TRAVEL FROM
OUR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE YOUR OFFER
TO PROVIDE TRANPORTATION AND SUBSISTANCE FOR
DR HARTWIG TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS STUDY MUST BE
MADE THROUGH THE AMERICAN EMBASSY WHICH WILL CABLE
IT TO U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT. OUR DEPARTMENT IS NOT
PERMITTED TO ACCEPT FUNDS SUCH AS THIS DIRECTLY FROM
A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT UNQUOTE.

3. APPRECIATE STATE-AGRICULTURE CLARIFICATION OF THIS
MATTER TO INFORM S.A. MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE.

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